IN THE NEWS

Former CIA Executive Assistant Victor Marchetti claims that the House Assassinations Committee has obtained documents from the CIA indicating that Watergate Burglar E. Howard Hunt was in Dallas, Texas, on the day President Kennedy was murdered.

Marchetti, a 19 year veteran with the agency, says that he confirmed the existence of the Hunt CIA documents with sources both inside the CIA and within the Assassination Committee itself.

Hunt has previously been accused by a number of assassination researchers of being involved in an anti-JFK plot, but he has stated under oath that he was in Washington, D.C. and not in Dallas on November 22, 1963.

Marchetti quotes his sources as reporting that an inter-agency memo on Hunt dated 1966 had been turned over to House Assassination investigators. That memo, according to Marchetti, discusses a concern among agency higher-ups that the alleged presence of E. Howard Hunt in Dallas on the day Kennedy was assassinated will be uncovered.

Marchetti suggests that the agency released the memo to engineer what he calls a "limited hangout" in the Kennedy murder case. He says he believes that CIA leaders are willing to concede that Hunt and other CIA agents may have been involved in an assassination plot against the late President.

According to Marchetti, the agency is preparing to admit that it misled the Warren Commission 14 years ago, and that CIA executives are now planning to allege that a "renegade" band of agents, acting on their own, may have played a part in the Kennedy Assassination.

According to Marchetti -- in his words -- "The CIA probably decided that since it couldn't sabotage the (Congressional Assassination) investigation, they will have a limited hangout." [The above is from Jim Horwitz' "Between the Lines", and is reprinted from the March 22 issue of Penn Jones' "The Continuing Inquiry".]

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William Manchester, author of the best-selling book on the JFK assassination, The Death of a President, was reportedly "disgusted" at the HSCA's findings of a probable conspiracy in the assassination.

"I deplore this irresponsible report because it will tend to fuel the conspiracy industry and make unscrupulous individuals wealthy. And I am absolutely sick of the conspiracy industry -- people making money, writing books, giving lectures -- people who have never even been to Dallas, or even to Texas, exploiting a nation's grief," groused Manchester.

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Richard Goodwin, one of President Kennedy's closest aides, says he's "not surprised" by the HSCA's conspiracy findings. Goodwin, who served Kennedy as an assistant counsel and later as deputy secretary of state for Latin America, said that reading a book by one conspiracy theorist "destroyed my belief that the Warren Commission had laid the matter to rest. One thing the Warren Commission hadn't done was prove their case. The investigation was inadequate."

It was not revealed just what book Mr. Goodwin was talking about, or the reason why he kept his mouth shut for so long about it. Some pal.

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Billy Nolan Lovelady, 41, the Oswald look-alike who also worked with Oswald at the Texas School Book Depository, died at his home in Denver, Colorado, of an "apparent heart attack". No autopsy was performed.

At the very instant the President was shot, a photograph of the Presidential limousine was snapped by James Altgens. It showed a man who strongly resembled Oswald standing in the front doorway of the Book Depository, dressed just as